

Ladies Holding First Open 'Spiel February 2 and 3

The "mom of bonspiels" is now here and the Irma Ladies Curling Club is holding its first open spiel this coming week, February 2 and 3. Besides the six ladies' rinks which play on the regular schedule, rinks from Viking and Wainwright are expected, besides two extra rinks from country points. Some of the local rinks are planning to attend the Wainwright ladies spiel which will be run off the following week-end. At the present time rinks from the Men's Curling Club skipped by Messrs. Milne, Younker and Smallwood are taking in the Open

Spiel at Wainwright and from all reports are doing very well for themselves. Another rink skipped by V. Sampson is defending Irma's honor at Hardisty. The members of the rinks at the Wainwright Spiel are: C. Milne, N. McMillan, C. Anquist, T. Hill, C. Smallwood, J. McKay, K. Coffin and A. Firkus. M. Younker, Wm. Hubman, Wm. Lawson and A. Cook. At the Hardisty spiel: V. Sampson, L. Meier, H. Fuder and H. Barber.

Southern Sayings

The FUA meeting for January 30 at the Glenholm School has been postponed until a later date. Some 20 folks attended the show at Strawberry Plains Monday, Jan. 29 which was put on by the Alberta Wheat Pool. Agent of Irma is O. Nisson. Speakers of the night was the Wheat Pool Field Man, Mr. Joe Dabiette, Vermillion and the delegate of the district, Mr. Herman Peterson of Viking, the district Superintendent Mr. Crawford. With the roads drifted like they are it makes it hard for the children to get to school so we're hoping it soon clears up and the roads get cleared again. Mr. King was a visitor at Mr. J. Burrell's last Saturday.

Irma United Church W.A. Program For 1951

Theme Song
Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me,
All His wonderful passion and purity.
O Thou Spirit Divine, all my nature refine
Till the beauty of Jesus be seen in me.

Motto
"The work of our hands establish thou it."
b. place; d. devotionals; t. topic; h. hostesses.

January
p. Mrs. McFarland; d. Mrs. Enger; t. Mrs. Black; h. Mrs. McKay, Mrs. R. D. Smallwood.

February
p. Mrs. Hutchinson; d. Mrs. E. Fenton; t. Mrs. Coffin; h. Mrs. Knudson, Mrs. McLean.

March, Friendship Meeting
p. School Lunch Room; d. Mrs. Patterson; t. Mrs. Tripp; h. Mrs. G. Fenton, Mrs. McLaughlin and Mrs. C. Smallwood.

April
p. Mrs. McLean; d. Mrs. McLaughlin; t. Mrs. Daries; h. Mrs. Black, Mrs. Dempsey.

May
p. Mrs. Tripp; d. Mrs. Reeds; t. Mrs. C. Smallwood; h. Mrs. Targett, Mrs. McFarland.

June
p. Mrs. Dempsey; d. Mrs. Knudson; t. Mrs. McFarland; h. Mrs. Enger, Mrs. E. Fenton.

July
p. Mrs. Black; d. Mrs. Bolger; t. Mrs. Rohrer; h. Mrs. Long, Mrs. Frickelton.

August
p. Mrs. Enger; d. Mrs. Dempsey; t. Mrs. Frickelton; h. Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Wyand.

September
p. Mrs. Rohrer; d. Mrs. Hutchinson; t. Mrs. McLean; h. Mrs. Gullner, Mrs. Hurst.

October
p. Mrs. Brown; d. Mrs. Wyand; t. Mrs. Inglis; h. Mrs. Reeds, Mrs. Bolger.

November
p. Mrs. Symington; d. Mrs. Gullner; t. Mrs. Targett; h. Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Rohrer.

December
p. Mrs. Reeds; d. Rev. Inglis; h. Pot Luck Lunch.

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Treasurer, Mrs. Black.

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Bazaar Committees
Fancy work, Mrs. Enger, Mrs. Reeds, Mrs. Knudson.
Aprons, Mrs. Rohrer, Mrs. Gullner, Mrs. Hager.

Meetings held every second Thursday of each month. Everyone welcome.

ALLIANCE TABERNACLE
Sunday, February 4
10:45 Sunday School and Bible class.
11:45 Morning Worship.

Wednesday 8 p.m.
Mid-week prayer meeting.

We welcome you to our services. Come and bring a friend.—Rev. Geo. E. Warnock, pastor.
"Covet to get alone with God, to be alive with God cannot be over emphasized.—Mrs. C. E. Courman.

UNITED CHURCH
Sunday, February 4
Irma Sunday School 11 a.m.
Worship service 7:30 p.m.

Jb. 32:7: Days should speak, and multitude of years should teach wisdom.—H. W. Inglis, minister.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH NOTES
Service of Evensong will be held in St. Mary's Church on Sunday, February 4 at 2:30 p.m.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express our sincere thanks to the Rev. H. W. Inglis, to Mr. Wm. Masson and the ladies choir and to all those who sent flowers or donations in memory of the late Mr. Henry Farthing.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bacon and Family.

Visiting Rinks Capture First Prizes in Local 'Spiel

Visiting rinks, spectators and local participants have all agreed that the 1951 open Bonspiel was the most successful effort of the Irma Curling Club to this point in its history. In spite of the weatherman's vile mood (a condition which seems an annual response to Irma's open bonspiel) some twenty eight rinks took part. Visiting rinks were Proudfoot of Mannville, Wright and Finlay of Fabyan, Smith, Hedlund and Aykroyd of Wainwright, Matthews and Morrison of Hardisty, and Staden of Buffalo Coulee.

Several of these rinks went away happy, carrying with them first prizes.

In the grand challenge, Proudfoot of Mannville won over the local Hubman rink, which was skipped by Jack MacKay. Fred took home the magazine racks donated by the Irma Curling Club, leaving the Dutch-Girl lamps from the Calgary Power Co. for Jack and his supporters. These two were followed by the MacMillan rink which won as third prize flashlights donated by the Irma Sales and Service. Matthews of Hardisty took the fourth prize, silver cake plates, donated by the Curling Club.

In the Citizens' Event, the Seth Thomas clocks donated by Evers Transport were won by Wright of Fabyan, while Merle Knudson's rink won the car robes awarded as second prize, by the Curling Club. To win the silver-plated loving cups donated for third prize by Brewers Distributors, our president, C. S. Smallwood contrived to lose several games. The Robt. Simpson Co. donated the fourth prize smoking sets which were taken to Fabyan by Mr. Finlay.

We cannot record any local rink having won a first, since that place in the Consolation Event was won by Morrison of Hardisty. The prizes were silver-plated dishes donated by the T. Eaton Co. For second place, silver bon-bon dishes, donated by Imperial Lumber were won by Fenton's rink. Purse, donated by the Irma Pool Room were won by his Honor, Mayor Jones from which circumstances we expect a more or less immediate improvement in the finances of the Village. The Sampson rink won the cake plates donated by Hutchinson and Co.

Two prizes new to Irma bonspiels were introduced. Silver curling rocks, donated by the Gratton View Hotel, were won by the Proudfoot rink. This rink and that of Mr. Wright of Fabyan were tied on the basis of points for this award. The skips threw rocks to break the tie.

Chocolates from Pond and Son were offered as Hard Luck prizes and so attractive did they prove to be that no fewer than four rinks must play to see whose luck was the hardest. Out the back door very early went the rinks of M. Frickelton, S. Brown, S. Knowles and W. Lawson.

Throughout the bonspiel the Ladies' Curling Club served lunch in the renovated and re-vitalized kitchen. The attractive appearance of the kitchen and the waiting room undoubtedly added to the enjoyment of the winter's most important curling event. Those who donated their time effort to make this improvement deserve the thanks of all curlers of the Irma district.

Another pleasant feature of this year's bonspiel was the delicious banquet served by the ladies in the luncheon room of the school at 6 p.m. Wednesday. The president of the club acted as master of ceremonies, and interesting and humorous remarks from the visiting rinks featured the after-dinner hour.

The curling club wishes to express its appreciation to all visitors, and to all donors of prizes, including Hanson's Service Station which made a cash donation and to the business establishments whose donations were held over to form a nucleus of prizes for the mixed bonspiel.

H. Farthing Passes Away

On January 25, Mr. Henry Farthing, old-time farmer of the Irma district, passed away in the Wainwright hospital after being in failing health for some years.

The deceased was well known and respected and was a man of his word. Honest to the core and underneath a rough exterior had a kind heart. Born in Minnesota on August 24, 1871, he came to Canada about the year 1890 and finally located on his farm in the spring of 1918 at Irma. He built up, by hard work and perseverance, a fine foundation which he sold to Mr. O. Halvorsen in 1947. He then moved to the village of Irma.

The funeral service was held on Tuesday, January 30 at 2:30 p.m. from the United Church with the Rev. H. W. Inglis officiating. Interment at the Irma Cemetery.

Full bearing was given by L. Simmerman, Wm. Dobson, Jno. Dunbar, G. C. Savard, Ross C. McFarland, J. G. Wesley Bacon.

Floral tributes as follows: Mr. and Mrs. P. E. and C. Jones and family; Bob, Lily and family; Wes and Ellie; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bacon and family; Mr. and Mrs. Haum and family; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Masson and family; Dave, Clara and boys.

Memorial Fund Irma United Church: Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Oldham; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morse; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Craig and son; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dunbar; Mr. and Mrs. Ross C. McFarland; Ethel and Ross.

To the Alberta Protestant Home: Woodruff Clark; Jas. A. Hedley; Mrs. Ina C. Knudson.

Funeral was under the direction of F. B. McLeod and Son, of Wainwright.

Board of Trade Talent Program

The Irma and District Board of Trade will again sponsor a local talent program to be held in Kieffer's Hall the latter part of February. The proceeds of this program will go to Board of Trade activities and to the Arena Fund. Anyone wishing to partake in the program please leave your entry with Chas. Archibald or Ross McFarland Jr. not later than Feb. 7. Date for the program to be announced later.

The Arena project is a worthwhile one, and requires the support of everyone in the Irma district. Let's get out and back it 100%.

Jarrow News

Mabel Lockhart is visiting relatives in Wainipeg.

Our belated congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. C. Firkus, nee Freda Belton, on the birth of a daughter in the Wainwright hospital.

George Bridgemans and J. B. Campbell have both had luna gas refrigerators and lights installed in their homes.

Olga Bruhaus our latest nurse-to-be, leaves for the city shortly where she will be starting her training in the General hospital on February 8. The best of luck to you, Olga, in your new venture.

More new cars in the district. This time it is Stan Bridgeman with a Chev. light delivery and Arthur Overby with a 1951 Ford.

Mrs. H. Lingley has had to go back to the city for further medical treatment.

The Jarrow school is closed temporarily. Mrs. Sather has accepted a position in the Irma school.

The Irma High School rink composed of Darrell Hockett, Red Frickelton, Billy Masson and Gary Jones which won from Edgerton and Wainwright on Saturday last, will play in Edmonton in the high school bonspiel this week. Mr. Pryce Jones drove the boys to Edmonton on Thursday of this week.

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Locate Bombardier Sunk In Lake By Magnetometer

FLIN FLON, Man. — A magnetometer located a sunken bombardier at the bottom of Lake Athabasca, east of here.

Earlier this winter Bill Edworthy of Millwater, Man., and one of his employees escaped drowning when the snow vehicle crashed through thin ice on the lake. Efforts by Edworthy to find it failed.

Recently, Lew Parres, using a grid system and 25-foot checks with the magnetometer, located the snow vehicle at the lake bottom:

U.S. POPULATION CLIMBS

NEW YORK. — The population of the United States has increased nearly 2,000,000 since the census was taken in April and now totals 153,000,000, the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company said.

The first railway mail service in the west was established over the Winnipeg-Brandon line in 1882.



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Agriculture Dean Praises The Cow

It Makes A Leading Contribution To Nutrition And Health

WINNIPEG. — Horses may win races and carry cowboys, but from what Prof. J. W. G. MacEwan, dean of agriculture at Manitoba university, told the Dairy Farmers of Canada it's the Bosy the cow, who rates a salute.

He paid tribute to this "barnyard philosopher" at the dairy farmers' annual banquet in the Royal Alexandra hotel. Foster mother of the race, the cow has learned to live without hurrying, he said, and "1,000,000 years ahead of any other three-beating animal."

Bosy's relatives are just as noble, the dean said. They pulled Red River ox carts for years. The bull, "most maligned of free enterprisers," was an original "anti-red."

Prof. MacEwan did not neglect the major role of the cow in agriculture. It makes a leading contribution to human nutrition and health, he declared.

Agriculture accounts for \$1 out of every \$6 of the national income, Prof. MacEwan said. The cow figures in more than half of the \$1,000,000 of agricultural revenue, he added.

A conservationist, "old Bosy" makes major contribution to agricultural stability and balance. The least soil loss is seen in progressive dairy areas," he said.

The cow will play an increasingly important part in the future. "Whether there is war or not, in the next 10 years more people will die of starvation than from the A-bomb," Prof. MacEwan said.

As the land becomes crowded, diets become unbalanced, the dean said. While there is plenty of starch available to feed the world, other necessary diet items are in short supply, he said, adding that the world's population is increasing at a rate that means there are 50,000 extra people "for breakfast every morning."

"If people are to be reasonably well fed," he said, "milk production will have to increase 100 per cent. by 1960 and meat by 40 per cent." Current Canadian milk production was 17,000,000 pounds a year.

Company Signs Prospecting Agreement On Saskatchewan Tract

REGINA. — Hon. J. H. Brockelbank, resources minister, announced that a concession agreement for prospecting for 46-square-mile area 90 miles north-east of Lac La Ronge has been signed by the Hudson Bay Exploration and Development company and the Saskatchewan government.

Mr. Brockelbank said the district in northern Saskatchewan is a "brand new area," with no other mines or claims in the general vicinity.

Funny and Otherwise

A son in college was applying pressure for more money from home.

"I can not understand why you call yourself a kind father, when you haven't sent me a check for three weeks. What kind of kindness do you call that?"

His father replied immediately: "That's unremitting kindness."

Business is looking up—to see where taxes are going.

Wife: "Did you get any applause?"

Actor: "Yes. It sounded like a caterpillar, wearing rubber shoes, crawling over a Persian rug."

Modern girl: One who dresses fit to kill and cooks the same way.

A girl seldom discovers a rich man is a bad egg until he goes broke.

The buxom woman was applying for a separation from her small spouse.

"Your Lordship," she said, "he broke every dish in the house over my head, and treated me cruelly."

"Did your husband apologize or express any regret for his actions at the time?" asked the judge patiently.

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The Annual Meeting of Shareholders The Royal Bank of Canada

Voluntary Curb on Spending Would Speed Re-armament and Preserve Our Free Economy

Physical controls useful but no substitute for a real attack on inflation. Non-military expenditures must be cut. President proposes four point anti-inflation programme

How the inflationary spiral can undermine the very basis of free Canadian democracy and the position of the nation in the world, steps which should be taken now to meet this threat were emphasized by James Muir in his Presidential address at the annual meeting of shareholders of The Royal Bank of Canada.

The Korean war, said Mr. Muir, and the threat of war elsewhere, had posed new inflationary problems on an economy already fatigued by the long struggle against inflation since the close of World War II. "We no longer have that excess capacity in capital and manpower that made possible more guns and more butter in the early years of the last struggle."

"Full employment of men and resources is a symptom of economic strength in peacetime. It means, however, that any additional demands upon the economy can be met only by curtailing demands elsewhere. This means that the additional demand upon our economy arising out of rearmament must be met by checking back our normal peacetime demand for capital and consumption goods."

COST OF REARMAMENT

"This curtailment of peacetime demand is the cost of wartime rearmament in peacetime. It means that essential part of peacetime demand is thus curtailed."

"In this way we can reduce the dislocation of our economy caused by new armament expenditure. If we can reduce this dislocation we can increase the effectiveness of our war effort, and at the same time we can ensure that the freedom we aim to defend will in fact be preserved."

"What part of peacetime demand can most economically be sacrificed to the needs of defence?"

"There are broadly three areas of demand in which cut-backs might conceivably be made. They are (1) the demand by consumers, especially for durable goods; (2) the demand by business for plant and equipment; and (3) the demand by government for non-military goods and services."

"Further inflation can be avoided if the money value of increased armament is offset by the reduced demand for non-military goods and services."

CONTROLS NOT ENOUGH

"Once the limits of voluntary saving have been reached we are forced to rely on increased taxes, and on physical controls. Physical controls may operate indirectly through credit curbs or directly through government allocation of scarce materials combined in various degrees, with price control and rationing."

"These physical controls are not, properly speaking, deflationary at all. From bitter experience after the last war, we know that physical controls do not directly reduce inflationary pressure. They attack the symptoms, but leave the disease itself unchecked. Their proper use is to divert demand from scarce to relatively less scarce goods and services, or, in some cases, to provide a stop-gap until fiscal and monetary policy can reduce inflationary pressure through direct action."

"Physical controls have their use, especially in total war, but they are no substitute for devices that really attack inflation."

TO FIGHT INFLATION

"The suggestions made in this appraisal of ways to fight inflation would, I think, be broadly acceptable to a majority of citizens, whether inside or outside the government. I would summarize them as follows:

- 1) Voluntary saving through the patriotic restraint of consumption should be encouraged, by the precept and example of government, business, and private citizens; i.e., through less non-military expenditure by government, less capital expansion by business, and less consumption (especially on credit) on the part of private citizens.
- 2) Voluntary saving should be encouraged, borrowing discouraged, and fiscal policy made effective by allowing a continued reduction towards higher interest rates.
- 3) Taxes required to prevent inflation, should penalize consumption, or through income taxes that exempt to some de-

INCOME TAXES COULD BECOME TWO-EDGED SWORD

The money power, now a weapon in the fight against inflation is generally supposed to be a stiff increase in the income tax. But the test of efficiency must be that any income tax increases shall penalize spending and reward saving.

Such a tax would rule out drastic increases in corporate taxes, especially excess profits taxes, which are arbitrary in management; and, in addition, excess profits taxes are arbitrary in their impact and inflationary in their final effect.

The personal income tax is itself a blunt instrument that may hit savers and spenders alike; nevertheless it may prove to be the only weapon with sufficient force to check inflation, even though in the process some saving is hit as well.

To minimize these faults and to ensure fairness, I would suggest that any increase in income tax burdens should recognize: (1) that the income tax is a tax on consumption; (2) that equity demands the vigorous reduction of income tax evasion, now all too apparent outside the fixed wage and salary group; (3) that equity and efficiency alike demand the exemption from income tax wherever possible, of the bona fide saving of the public. In its simplest form, this might include the exemption of net insurance premiums and of net purchases of savings bonds over the year.

I am aware that to implement the third suggestion may be work for a genius in political and social invention, but I think we should be looking for him. Otherwise, as tax rates rise, the blunt instrument of the income tax may become a dangerous and perverse weapon that penalizes saving even more than it penalizes spending."

The failure to exempt saving when income taxes are very high will not only reduce their power to prevent inflation in the short run, but may in the long run prove a positive danger to democracy. The extreme of "left" and "right" in the world today are mediated in the great democracies by a strong middle class. It would be a tragedy indeed if democracy should perish because, in the supposed interest of its own defence, it liquidated this guardian of democratic institutions."

free the bona fide saving of the public.

4) Direct controls, especially in the form of price control and rationing, should be measures of the last resort, and should be treated as stop-gap devices, not as substitutes for a true anti-inflationary policy.

"Perhaps we should not ignore the possibility of having failed to realize their hopes of capitalist collapse through post-war depression, the communists are now trying to engineer capitalist collapse through the inflationary pressure of a continuous armaments boom. But once the required amount of armaments expansion has been determined, the inflationary pressure created by that expansion must somehow be met."

"As a means to this end I should like once more to emphasize the moral and economic obligation of democratic governments to maintain ordinary expenditures at the lowest possible level. If democratic governments fail to meet this obligation, they will in effect be giving a measure of aid and comfort to the enemy. At this stage, the most important weapon in the whole arsenal of war controls is the control of ordinary government expenditure."

Emphatically, the price of our safety is not only the expenditure of vast sums provided by savings and taxes, but eternal vigilance over the uses to which these funds are put. A major defence effort has saved our country from economic collapse, but our standard of living that a democratic government would be guilty of criminal negligence if it did not do all it could to preserve the free economy by confining its ordinary expenditures to the absolute minimum."

"We have all heard it said at one time or another that American capi-

three-day meeting here with the Western Canada fairs association announced the award.

The five points are Brandon, Saskatoon, Regina, Calgary and Edmonton. Dates for the exhibition have not yet been confirmed.

POWERFUL GEYSER

The most powerful geyser in the world is in the Roturua district of New Zealand. It spouts to a height of 1,500 feet.

General Manager Reports 2 Million Deposit Accounts

T. H. Atkinson, General Manager, in reviewing the bank's 1950 Annual Report, stated that total assets of The Royal Bank of Canada now exceed \$2,497,000,000, the highest point in the history of Canadian banking. Deposits had also increased materially to reach \$2,387,503,468, the highest point in the history of the bank.

There had also been a gratifying increase in the number of the bank's depositors, the actual number of accounts over 2,000,000, practically 1,900,000 of which were in Canada. "Since January 1, 1945, the number of accounts on our books in Canada has increased by about 600,000, or 46%," said Mr. Atkinson.

An increase of \$928,895 in profits was noted by the General Manager. After providing for the usual deductions, including taxes of \$4,012,000 and dividends, there was a carry-forward to profit and loss account of \$3,099,725, bringing this account to \$6,920,039. From this total, \$6,000,000 has been transferred to the Reserve Fund, which now stood at \$50,000,000.

NEW BRANCHES

"During the year, 15 new branch offices were completed, in addition to which rather extensive renovation was made to 63 other offices. Work was commenced on an additional 14 new branch buildings and 19 extensive alterations projects which work had been started in the previous year. We have opened 24 full-time branches and 1 sub-branch. We are now operating 653 branches in the ground and 37 sub-branches in Canada."

AID TO TRADERS

The General Manager reported an other satisfactory year for the bank's branches in the West Indies, Central and South America, and in other areas outside Canada. He noted particularly the important service performance of the bank's branches in facilitating and promoting trade between Canada and other nations. An important and necessary complement to the bank's trade activities "are the banking services and first-hand knowledge which our branches abroad can and do provide. With our chain now numbering 61 offices outside of Canada and with officers who have been trained to speak the language, and are fully conversant with local requirements, we are in an unrivalled position to handle the needs of our customers and all those directly interested in the development of foreign commerce. Over the years, the foreign service of the bank has offered excellent opportunities to young Canadians to gain valuable experience and background and preparation required to qualify for important posts in our foreign network of branches."

TRIBUTE TO STAFF

"The gratifying figures we have before us today are due to a very large degree to the efficiency, enthusiasm, and aggressiveness of the members of the staff from senior clerk up, and it is fitting that I should say to them a formal but very sincere 'thanks' for a job well done."

"In the ordinary day-to-day business of the bank, our staff continued the happy tradition of friendliness always associated with The Royal Bank of Canada."

"For their friendly conduct of business and for their readiness to rise and meet emergencies, I express the thanks of management to our almost 12,000 staff members and as well to those other employees of the bank who contribute so much to the efficiency of the organization."

"I can assure the Directors and shareholders that morale is high, and that whatever new crises come upon us in the now-opening year, your staff will measure up."

tal is taking over our economy. My reply is simply that, if this is true, then we have no case to blame but ourselves. If Canadian capital is not playing a large enough part in developing our resources and expanding our industry, the reason must be not that Canadian capital is too meagre for the job, but that, in spite of the high stakes, Canadian capital refuses to take the risk. From here on let us see to it that our vision, our energy and our risk-taking spirit are not found wanting."

Actually a new spirit of enterprise is abroad in the land—personally I have great faith in it. I believe this is the spirit appropriate to the true Canadian character."

It may not be too much to hope that Canada may become, as it were, a working model of the free economy in action, and a constant reminder to the world at large that the road to economic freedom lies also the shortest and safest road to social progress."

Landmark To Be Torn Down

MINNEDOSA, Man. — Minnedosa's old town hall, a tower-top landmark since the town was incorporated in 1885, is to be torn down to make way for a new school building. During the 1885 Riel rebellion the building served as a guardhouse.

The average household dog responds to about 50 words.

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OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

ENOUGH ROPE

Joe Had A Bad Reputation.
People Were Suspicious.

By ROY V. PRICE

THOUSANDS of insects in the black underbrush bordering the road, chattered incessantly as Ben Brown's battered old pickup truck creaked along the narrow, rutted clay road.

His eyes missed nothing as he stopped near the lighted front doorway of the small farmhouse. The dust of hard driving over country roads was thick on his worn clothing.

In a low voice, he called, "Joe!" The owner, an old farmer, tall and gaunt, wore a full beard. The other was husky and reddish of complexion and he kept his right hand in the pocket of his suit. But instantly he brought his hand out of his pocket, saying, "Well, I'll be doggoned if it ain't Ben!"

"Right!" Ben Brown said. The truck door squeaked, scuffed work shoes hit the dirt and the two men came together, swearing amiably. "Son of a gun!" Joe laughed. "How'd you know I'd be here tonight?"

"For a man who knows this section well, it was a fair bet you'd be coming by here. All main roads are being watched and I'm the only one who knows that old Pete here is about the only man around these parts who always liked you."

Old Pete interrupted, "Me 'n Joe just et. You been to supper?"

"More'n two hours ago." Sitting on the porch they continued to talk. Joe inquired about his sister, Louise. Ben said in his slow, word-saving way, "We've been married a

year," and Joe asked, then, "What're you doing away over here this time o' night?"

"The bank in town was robbed today by a slick dresser about your build," Ben answered.

Joe reached over and flipped open Ben Brown's coat. He looked briefly at the badge pinned to the shirt. "You! The best truck farmer in the South!" he said softly and laughed.

"So could you have been if you hadn't gotten off to—where, Joe?"

"Mississippi!" Joe laughed again. "Tried farming, but was driven out by a hog who wanted everything for himself. Tried harden'n I did around here, but even accused me."

"Things ain't been too easy for me, but I've gone straight."

"You wouldn't be suspicious of me, Ben, now would you?"

"I'm thinking of that bank cashier. He's got a wife and kids. He's bad hurt. Might die."

"Would you stop the man who pulled that robbery if he was to come by here tonight?" Joe was grinning.

"I would, because I'd figure he was heading for the Hardy lumber camp where old man Hardy is sleeping alone with tomorrow's pay roll under his bed."

"That old skunk caused me to leave Georgia! I had to leave or go to jail for pig and cow stealing, I didn't do. He even accused me of stealing lumber from his sawmill."

Joe's mouth twitched. His right hand was again in his pocket, his eyes on Ben Brown's face.

"Yeah, I know. But you've such a bad reputation around these parts, Joe. People are suspicious."

Their stares locked. The tenseness stretched between them.

Old Pete shifted his bulging tobacco wand from jaw to jaw and spat contemptuously as he grunted and wheezed. He laughed uneasily, breaking the silence.

Ben went on studying Joe's eyes, trying to read them.

Ben Brown said slowly: "Louise and me, we've got a little place just beyond the county line, two miles beyond the river's bend. You couldn't miss it. Louise'd give you some different clothes. And anything else you might need. You could be safe across three states by daylight."

He let that sink in. Then he said: "Or you could follow the road on down to that lumber camp where old man Hardy is asleep with that pay roll."

Joe's face stiffened. "You didn't have to say that. You know it's the other road I'd take."

"All right. Good luck. Say, Joe—" "Yeah?"

"Look up old Gabby in Toledo, Ohio. He'll get you a job."

Joe grinned. "Good old Gabby!" He ran the hundred yards to the barn behind the house.

Old Pete and Ben sat back down on the porch. They heard the purring of the powerful motor as Joe backed his car out of the hay barn where it was well hidden. Then the purring died away as the car sped over the narrow dirt road.

"I was glad to see Joe," Old Pete began. "Ain't seen 'im since he plowed for me years ago. In spite of his reputation, I always did like—" He stopped. He jerked up his head.

Muted by distance the sound of gunfire had a pettish, grumbling note. It ceased abruptly and the old farmer, staring at Ben, asked excitedly, "Which road do you reckon Joe took?"

"The lumber camp road where a posse was waiting."

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Western Agricultural Meet Elects Officers

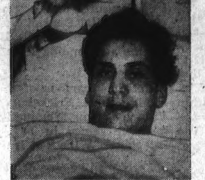
CALGARY—Roy Marler of Bremner, Alta., was re-elected president of the Western Agricultural conference at concluding sessions of the three-day meeting here. Re-elected vice-presidents were C. Habing of Hazelridge, Man.; W. Ball, Pelly, Sask., and C. Walls of Vancouver.

Mrs. R. E. Gunn of Fumess, Sask., was named to the executive representing the women in organized agriculture for the four western provinces. Mrs. H. McRae of Durban, Man., was re-elected western representative on the Canadian farm radio forum.

Vancouver Wants Home Rule

Vancouver, Canada's third city, wants home rule, but the B.C. government says it can't have it. Opponents in the fight are the Vancouver city council, representing 420,000 people, and R. C. MacDonald, municipal affairs minister, who represents Coquitlam, with a population of 2,500. Vancouver wants the legislature to enforce a new City Charter. Among other things, this proposed charter would give the city council power to pass bylaws above the courts.

An oyster lays between 16 and 60 million eggs.



—Central Press Canadian.

DREAMS OF DISASTER, JUMPS FROM TRAIN—Rifeman Robert Goud of Montreal is in hospital in Regina, Sask., after a leap from the troop train carrying the Special Force from Valcartier, Que., to Fort Lewis, Wash. He said he had a nightmare in which he dreamed of the canoe river trail disaster in which several Special Force soldiers were killed and when he recovered from the nightmare he found he had jumped from the 35-mile-an-hour train into a snowbank in 10-below-zero temperature cold only in his underwear. His legs frozen, he made his way to a farmhouse from which he was taken to hospital.

WESTERN BRIEFS

Poultry Tattooing Urged

SASKATOON.—Tattooing of poultry as a safeguard against theft was suggested at the annual meeting of the Saskatchewan Poultry Association. Prof. W. J. Rae of the University of Saskatchewan's poultry department said tattooing should be on the web or wing.

Greatest in History

CALGARY.—Oil production from Alberta wells in November, 1950, was the greatest in the province's history, the Petroleum and Natural Gas Conservation Board reported.

Big Arena

LETHBRIDGE.—City officials claim Lethbridge's new civic ice centre has the largest area of artificial ice under one roof in Canada. The skating rink and 10 curling strips total 35,424 square feet of ice.

Record Loads

SASKATOON.—The city engineering department chalked up a record when they moved 364 truckloads of snow in one day from Saskatoon's streets after a recent snowfall.

Big Wind

MOOSEHORN, Man.—The wind here was so strong that a section gang's jigger was carried away along the tracks. A C.N.R. Railway gang caught the machine after an eight-mile chase by motorcar.

Livestock Thrives

EASTEND, Sask.—Livestock in the southwest corner of Saskatchewan have enjoyed one of the best winters on record, Hugh Robinson, agricultural representative, reported. Mr. Robinson said that only a small amount of snow, and mild weather had made it possible for stock in his territory to graze out practically all the time so far this season.

Mumps Hit B.C. Town

PRINCE GEORGE, B.C.—An outbreak of mumps has stricken this northern British Columbia town of 8,000. Over 300 cases were being treated at one time.

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THE TELLERS



Sees "Dobbin" Being Ousted By Tractor

Protests Received Against Reduction in Classes For Heavy Horses At Fairs

WINNIPEG.—Is old faithful "Dobbin" becoming obsolete because of the farm tractor? This question posed a problem for the livestock committee of the Western Canada association of Exhibitors at the convention held here.

The committee had received a letter from heavy horse organizations protesting against any reduction in classes for heavy horses at circuit "A" fairs, or any reduction in prize money.

The five prairie fairs on circuit "A" are at Brandon, Regina, Saskatoon, Edmonton, and Calgary.

The letter of protest arose through rumors that the tractor is replacing the horse on the farm, and that there are not enough horses to make a creditable showing at fairs.

Convention delegates decided to face facts as they saw them. Heavy horses, they believed, are on their way out, and whether or not classes are reduced for them, at present there would be few heavy horses shown anyway.

The changing trend, they said, upshot indicates tractors are showing aside the old gray mare that "ain't what she used to be."

Uphold the committee passed this resolution: the exhibition association should consider the revision of the heavy horse section of prize lists with a view to bringing the total prize money for all classes of livestock more closely into conformity with their respective places of importance in agriculture.

CANADA OPENS TRAVEL BUREAU IN NEW YORK

TORONTO.—Canada's first travel bureau in New York was opened Feb. 8, federal travel chief Leo Dolan announced.

YOUNG EDITOR

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask.—Appointment of R. A. (Bob) Rice as news editor was announced by Burton Lewis, editor of the Prince Albert Daily Herald. Mr. Rice, 20, is one of the youngest persons in Canada to hold such a position.

First Aid For Frostbite

1—Never rub frostbitten part nor expose it to artificial heat. Applying snow adds to injury.

2—Warm it slowly by covering it with hand, or with cloths wrung out of water—cool at first, then gradually warmer.

3—Warm frostbitten hand under armpit, or between the thighs.

4—Enter heated room only after normal color and circulation are restored. With average skin, 1st degree frostbite is dark red; 2nd degree, bright red or blue, and 3rd degree, grayish white.

Avoid serious after-effects of frostbite by proper care. See doctor in severe cases.

Says Shelter-Belt Best Protection

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WINKLER, Man.—W. R. Lealle, superintendent of Morden experimental station, told Stanley Agricultural society that "a good shelter-belt around a farmstead is as good as moving the farmstead 300 miles farther south."

He said a good shelter-belt retards wind velocity for a distance equal to at least twice its height on the windward side and up to 20 times its height on the leeward side.

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Blood Donors Can Feel Proud

A total of 37,709 bottles of blood were collected from volunteers in Alberta during 1950; according to reports issued this week by the Blood Transfusion Service of the Canadian Red Cross Society.

Of this total, 20,046 bottles were collected in the northern Alberta area and 17,623 in the south.

A comparison report issued by the Red Cross for the three years the Blood Transfusion Service has been in operation, shows that 13,611 more bottles were collected in 1950 than during 1948. In 1949, donors in Alberta contributed 32,043 bottles of blood.

The blood donor quota for southern Alberta is 71 per cent of the northern section.

Mobile clinics in the south collected 10,831 bottles while in the north, the total was 10,274. In addition to road travel, "flying mobiles" via RCAF plane were also carried out. Red Cross teams flew 3,700 miles to conduct clinics in Yellowknife, Whitehorse, Grande Prairie, Dawson Creek, Fort St. John and Peace River. These flying mobiles resulted in 1,800 blood donations.

NOTICE

Preparation of Assessment Roll

MD of Wainwright No. 61

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll of the said MD, made under the provisions of the Assessment Act, has been prepared and will for thirty days be open to inspection at the office of the Secretary-Treasurer of the MD during business hours on every day not a public holiday, and that any person who desires to object to the entry of his name or that of any other person upon the said roll, or to the assessment of any property, or to the assessed value placed upon any property must within thirty days from the date of this notice lodge his complaint in writing with the Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipal District. Dated at Wainwright, this 20th day of January 1951.

CHAS. WILBRAHAM,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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Locals

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Mr. O. Halverson was a patient in Wainwright hospital last week but is home again and feeling much better.

Messrs. J. Pond and Wm. Milburn motored to Edmonton early this week.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Robertson has been ill with pneumonia in the Wainwright hospital for over a week, but he is making a good recovery and will be home soon.

Mr. Louis Hager, old time resident of Irma, passed away suddenly at his home here on Tuesday, January 30. Sympathy goes out to Mrs. Hager from her many friends in Irma and district. Full obituary next week.

A group of Irma ladies worked on quilt No. 5 last Tuesday afternoon. The Overseas Relief project is growing and donations of flour sacks, print patches, etc., continue to arrive. However, more are always welcome.

There has been a lot of 'flu around lately but the mumps epidemic has subsided a little, although fresh cases from outlying points are still being reported.

An Edmonton rink came to Irma on Saturday evening and played a friendly game with four members of the local curling club. This resulted in a win for our Irma boys but we have been unable to get the names of those who took part.

The Annual World's Day of Prayer will be observed in the Irma United Church on Friday, February 9 at 3 p.m. The subject will be "Peace." It is hoped there will be a good attendance from women of all denominations.

The Home and School Association will meet on the evening of February 12. Dr. J. D. Wallace of Wainwright will speak on Sex Education. It is hoped that all parents, Home and School Association members and other friends will be in attendance.

The snow and high winds of the past week have made transportation quite a problem even on foot, whether you stick to the road or "walk as the crow flies" if you know what we mean.

Donation to St. Mary's Building Fund in memory of Mrs. J. Archibald: Mrs. Milburn.

The Irma Wheat Clubbers are sponsoring a variety concert and dance on March 14 in Kiefer's Hall. Anyone with entries for variety concert please send them to Mr. O. Nissen.

FORM "C" The Domestic Animals Act (Municipalities)

SALE AND REDEMPTION OF IMPOUNDED ANIMALS (Sec. 48)

Notice is hereby given under Section 48 of The Domestic Animals Act (Municipalities) that One five year old grey gelding, branded KB on left flank, was impounded in the pound kept by J. W. Matthews, Mannville, located on the NW 36-47-9-W4th on Friday the 5th day of January A.D. 1951, and that the said animal was sold on the 15th day of January 1951, to M.C. Ambler of RRI Irma and that said animal may be redeemed by the owner or on his behalf within a period of thirty days from the publication of this notice in The Alberta Gazette, upon payment of all fees and costs due to the municipality and the purchaser of said animal.

For information apply to the undersigned.

R. T. Dorward, Sec.-Treas. of the Municipality of Minburn 72. Post Office Mannville.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTORS

Public notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Electors of the Village of Irma will be held in Hedley's Hall on Monday the 12th day of February, 1951, at 8 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Mayor, Secretary-Treasurer, Auditor and Chairman of the various Committees of Council for the year ending 31st day of December, 1950.

Dated at Irma this 22nd day of January, 1951.

A. C. Charter, Sec.-Treas.

PUBLIC NOTICE

IRMA MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT No. 55

Annual Meeting of the ratepayers of the Irma Municipal Hospital District No. 55 will be held in the Hedley Hall on Monday the 12th day of February, 1951, at 8 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer of the Irma Municipal Hospital District No. 55 and the Audited Financial Statement for the year ending December 31, 1950.

Retiring member of the Board is Mr. W. N. Frickelton, for the Village of Irma. Nomination forms must be signed by at least five ratepayers, Village of Irma.

Forms can be obtained at the office of the Secretary-Treasurer and nomination day is on the 19th day of February between the hour of 11 a.m. and 12 noon, 1951.

January 22, 1951 A. C. Charter, Secretary-Treasurer.

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ELECTION NOTICE

Nominations for Elections

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Public Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Electors of the Municipal District of Wainwright

No. 61, will be held at

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at one o'clock p.m. on Saturday, February 17th,

for the discussion of the affairs of the district; and that from three o'clock p.m. to four o'clock p.m. on the same day and at the same place nominations for the office of Councillor will be received.

Two Councillors are to be elected.

Councillors are to be elected for the following electoral divisions:

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At the same place, time and date above mentioned, nominations for members of the Boards of the following Municipal Hospital Districts will be received. Members to be elected at large.

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